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Docket No. GK-ZEI-3039/500343.20034

Applicant: Ulrich Simon et al. Group Art Unit: 2859

Serial No: 09/238,859 Examiner: G.Verbitsky

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PETITION FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action dated August 29, 2001.

Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$ 400.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

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